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Thank you for your letter of the 17th March, and the enclosures, all of which I have read. The UPI story about my talk was slightly garbled, but was essentially correct. I certainly think these problems are important and that they should be dealt with objectively. Your experience clearly shows that this is not easy.

At the moment we have a large new extension to our laboratory, and we are taking up research in scientific areas which are new to us. Consequently I have decided not to speak or write on these social problems until our new work is well launched. In a year or so I hope to take up these issues again.

Yours sincerely

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